

COMMERCIAL BUILDING OF ANSON BROWN.
(Exchange and Ingalls Block.)
Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County,
Michigan.

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Historic American Buildings Survey
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313 Garfield Bldg., Detroit, Mich.

Commercial Building of Anson Brown
(EXCHANGE AND INGALLS BLOCK)
Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, Michigan.

Owner Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Waterman

Date of Erection: Exchange Block - 1832-34
Ingalls Block - 1834

Architect: Unknown

Builder: Anson Brown

Present Condition: Exchange Block - Fair
Ingalls " Very Poor.

Number of Stories: Exchange Block - Three
Ingalls " Four

Materials of Construction: Brick walls; Frame, oak beams and girders.
Exchange block roof is supported by a series of oak trusses and has a very nice exterior cornice of white wood.

Other Existing Records: Recorder of Deeds Office, Ann Arbor, Michigan.
"100 Years Ann Arbor".

Additional Data: The first store operated by Daniel and Anson Brown was located in the south part of the building now occupied by Woolworth's 5 and 10 Cent Store. The partnership lasted four years. At the end of that time Anson purchased land from Andrew Nowland, built a dam across the Huron River and erected a grist mill. Opposite the mill in lower town, he built a brick block the center part of which he occupied for a store. This building which is the Exchange and Ingalls Block still stands just East of the Power House of the Detroit Edison Co., on Broadway.

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The second home in Ann Arbor was built by Anson Brown in the block built in 1833 by Edward L. Fuller and Anson Brown on the Southwest side of Broadway in lower town.

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